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Exhibit of Recent Poster Acquisitions Goes on View December 15

"On View from the Poster Collection," an exhibition of 65 recent acquisitions, opens on Monday, December 15, at the Library of Congress. Dating from 1840 to the present, the works represent only a very small portion of the more than 70,000 posters in the Library's collections.

The earliest item in the exhibit is a poster for "Cooke's Circus" dated 1840. Other items include Alphonse Mucha's poster for the 1904 St. Louis Exposition, Théophile Steinlen's "Yvette Guilbert," and an original linoleum cut by Pablo Picasso. Two French opera posters advertise Massenet's *Panurge* (designed by Charles Leandre) and *Cendrillon* (designed by Emile Bertrand). Jean de Paléologue's (Pal) poster for the opera *Sapho* is on view as well as a famous poster for the French music hall star Mistinguett by G. K. Benda.

The nucleus of the Library's poster collection was formed in 1870, when Congress designated the Library of Congress as the repository for all works copyrighted in the United States, but it was not until the early 1960s that the Library began an active program of poster acquisitions. Print collectors were encouraged to make gifts, duplicates were exchanged with other institutions, and a small but important number of purchases was made.

Recent notable gifts have included a collection of 1,000 propaganda posters given each year for the past four years by collector Gary

At the request of the International Federation of Library Associations, the LC *Information Bulletin* is reprinting in this issue (pp. 483-484) the announcement of IFLA's International Office for UBC regarding **plans for a five-year review of the various ISBDs** (International Standard Bibliographic Descriptions) that have been published since 1971.

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Yanker, posters from the cartoon collection of Caroline and Erwin Swann, and award-winning commercial designs from the American Institute of Graphic Arts.

"On View from the Poster Collection" will be displayed in the Lower Level Gallery, Thomas Jefferson Building, through August 1981. The exhibition halls are open from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. weekdays and from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekends and holidays.

Josef Škvorecký Visits Library

Noted Czech writer Josef Škvorecký visited the Library on November 10 and 12. Mr. Škvorecký, now residing in Canada, published his first novel, *Zbabělci* (The Cowards) in Prague in 1958. The work, a vivid and frank description of the last days of World War II in Bohemia, created a literary sensation and was subsequently published in many translations. In the last 20 years, Mr. Škvorecký has written numerous novels, short stories, and essays. In the Library of Congress, his writings are represented by 42 titles, including seven English translations and six translations into other languages.

The author, who is currently working on a novel about Antonín Dvořák in America at the end of the 19th century, came to Washington, D.C., to complete his bibliographic search. During his visit, Mr. Škvorecký discussed Czech literature in the European Division, was given a tour of the Library by the Czechoslovak Area Specialist George J. Kovtun, and studied Dvořák's manuscripts and other materials in the Music Division. For the Archive of World Literature on Tape, Mr. Škvorecký recorded excerpts from his novels *Zbabelci* and *Prima sezóna* (A Fine Season).

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Sixth AACR 2 Institute Held

The sixth in the continuing ALA/Library of Congress AACR 2 Institutes was held on November 12-14 in Denver, Colo. Library of Congress staff members in Processing Services serving as faculty for the institute were Ben R. Tucker (institute leader and instructor for chapters 3-13, Description of Special Materials), Laura I. Brank (chapters 1-2, General Description and Description of Books), Suzanne L. Liggett (chapter 21, Choice of Access Points), Richard J. Ricard (chapter 22, Headings for Persons), Charles R. Fenly (chapters 23-24, Geographic and Corporate Headings), and Robert B. Ewald (chapter 25, Uniform Titles).

ALA handled all arrangements other than the actual presentations mentioned above. Present were William I. Bunnell, executive secretary of the Resources and Technical Services Division (RTSD) of ALA, and Katherine J. Brodesser, RTSD administrative assistant. RTSD members Doralyn J. Hickey and Charlotta Hensley (incoming president of RTSD) also assisted.

Library of Congress Publications

Classification for German Law Announced

The development of the classification for German law has been completed. Notations have been assigned as follows:

KK	Germany and West Germany
KKA	East Germany
KKB and	German provinces and states (Länder)
KKC1-4999	German cities, towns, etc.
KKC5000-9999	

At the end of October, the Subject Cataloging Division began assigning the newly developed class numbers to materials being cataloged relating to German law. The classification schedule is now being indexed, after which it will be submitted for printing to the Government Printing Office. Publication is not anticipated until late 1981.

Since KK is the first Library of Congress classification scheme to cover a major civil law system, it is expected to serve as the model for development of other foreign law schedules or tables of civil law jurisdictions.

New Publications

American Snake-handling Sects: A Selected Bibliography. Washington, D.C. 1980. (4 p.) Compiled

by Marsha Maguire for the Archive of Folk Song. This new finding aid is one of approximately 170 lists of one to 20 pages available from the Archive, which also issues a list of its current bibliographies. Free upon request from the Library of Congress, Archive of Folk Song, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Bibles and Other Scriptures in Special Media. Reference Circular No. 80-1. May 1980. (38 p.) A list of scriptural works available on cassette, disc, open-reel tape, and eight-track cartridge and in braille or large print. Free on request from the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20542.

Brazilian Materials in the Archive of Folk Song. Washington, D.C., 1980. (3 p.) Compiled by Elizabeth D. Eisenhood for the Archive of Folk Song. This new finding aid is available free upon request from the Archive of Folk Song.

Creativity: Its Many Faces. ISBN 0-8444-0354-7. Washington, D.C., 1980. (24 p.) An exhibit checklist and essay by Leonard C. Bruno. For sale for $2.50 from the Library of Congress, Information Office, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Handbook of the New Library of Congress in Washington. A 1980 reprint of the original 1901 publication. (112 p. plus index). For sale for $3 from the Information Office.

Ten First Street, Southeast: Congress Builds a Library, 1886-1897. ISBN 0-8444-0351-2. Washington, D.C., 1980. (iii, 102 p.) An exhibit catalog and essay on the construction of the Library of Congress Thomas Jefferson Building by Helen-Anne Hilker. For sale for $4.75 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, or in person only from the Information Counter on the ground floor of the Thomas Jefferson Building.

Ongoing Publications

Accessions List: Brazil. ISSN 0146-1060. Vol. 6, Nos. 5-6. May-June 1980. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Consulate General, Av. Presidente Wilson 147, 20030 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Accessions List: Eastern Africa. ISSN 0192-7388. Vol. 13. July 1980. Annual Serial Supplement. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director-LOC, American Consulate General, Abdullah Haroon Road, Karachi, Pakistan.

Accessions List: India. ISSN 0041-7734. Vol. 19, No. 11. November 1980. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Accessions List: Middle East. ISSN 0041-7769. Vol. 18, Nos. 7 and 8. July and August 1980. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director-LOC, American Consulate General, Abdullah Haroon Road, Karachi, Pakistan.

Accessions List: Southeast Asia. ISSN 0096-2341. Vol. 6, No. 11. November 1980. Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Audiovisual Materials. ISSN 0190-9827. January-March 1980. (186 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541, on a subscription basis at $75 a year.

Cataloging Service Bulletin. ISSN 0160-8029. No. 10. Fall 1980. (34 p.) Available on a subscription basis beginning with issue No. 11, Winter 1981, from the Cataloging Distribution Service for $10 a year. This issue contains information on AACR 2 (Part I: introduction and rule interpretations; general material designations and uniform titles; conventions for representing temporary data in Library of Congress catalog records for monographs (books, audiovisual materials, maps); copyright dates; qualifying nonconflicting corporate names for government and non-government bodies; revised headings for 1981 corrections); information on subject headings ("multiples"; LCSH 1979 annual supplement; subject heading "Law—Periodicals (Indirect)"; LCSH 9: correction of errors in the freefloat removal program; Library of Congress subject headings in micro-

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An **incomplete bound set of U.S. Supreme Court** *Records and Briefs* for the terms 1839-1889, 1933-1945, and 1951-1967 is available for the best offer from a library received by the Exchange and Gift Division. Offers should be addressed to Chief, Exchange and Gift Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. Offers will be accepted until January 15, 1981.

Creativity Events Recounted

Pictures on these pages were taken at a reception and a dinner held in conjunction with a public lecture on "Creativity in the United States" by Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin on November 19, a symposim on creativity the next day which brought together members of the Library's new Council of Scholars, some three dozen university presidents, and other invited guests, and the opening of an exhibit on creativity. Pictures of the symposium and the first meeting of the Council of Scholars will appear in next week's *Information Bulletin.*

Violinist Yehudi Menuhin, Deputy Librarian William J. Welsh, and Mrs. Welsh

Mrs. Meyer H. Abrams, Professor Abrams of Cornell University, and Mrs. Daniel J. Boorstin

President Ernest L. Boyer of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, and Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin

Mrs. William Safire, Professor Myres S. McDougal of Yale University, and the Honorable Clare Boothe Luce

President Martin Meyerson of the University of Pennsylvania, Ernest L. Boyer, and Mrs. Boyer.

STAFF NEWS

Jessie Lee Retires

Jessie M. Lee, administrative officer in the Office of the Associate Librarian for Management, retired October 31.

In June 1952, Mrs. Lee began her career at the Library as a correspondence clerk in the Copyright Office. In December 1955, she was promoted to administrative secretary in the Geography and Map Division. While there she received outstanding performance ratings in 1958, 1959, 1960, and 1961. In July 1961, she earned a Meritorious Service Award for sustained superior performance.

In January 1964, Mrs. Lee was promoted to department secretary in the Administrative Department and in December 1968 to administrative assistant in the same department. Mrs. Lee was reassigned to office manager, Office of the Associate Librarian for Management, in September 1976 and administrative officer in October 1979, in the same department. She received a quality increase in May 1975 for superior performance and an Incentive Award in May 1979 for her suggestion of a subject index for Library forms.

In 1977, she was honored at a luncheon attended by her friends and colleagues on the occasion of her 25th anniversary in the Library. She will be remembered for the efficient manner in which she performed her duties and will be missed by her many friends in the Library.

Mrs. Lee came to the Library from the Federal Housing Authority and has worked for the Maryland public school system.

Chester Hobson Presented 25-Year Pin

Chester Hobson, music cataloger in the Music Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, received a 25-year Federal Service Award pin on November 10 from Assistant Librarian for Processing Services Joseph H. Howard.

Mr. Hobson began his Federal career in October 1950 in the U.S. Army, serving until October 1952. Shortly after his discharge, he came to work as a clerk-typist in the Technical Information Division. He subsequently was promoted to the position of cataloger in the Music Section of the Copyright Cataloging Division. In March 1957, he transferred to the Music Section of the Descriptive Cataloging Division, where he now works.

A native of Beloit, Wis., he attended Beloit College for one year and then transferred to Howard University. He earned a bachelor of music degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1950.

Joe Johnson Receives 25-Year Pin

Joe L. Johnson, library technician in the Bibliographic Inquiry Unit of the Card Distribution Section, Cataloging Distribution Service, was presented a 25-year Federal Service Award pin on November 12 by Mr. Howard.

Mr. Johnson's Federal career began shortly after his graduation from high school in Oakland, Calif., when he entered the U.S. Air Force in July 1955. His tour of duty extended to July 1959, during which time he was stationed in Okinawa for 20 months as an air passenger specialist.

He came to the Library shortly after his discharge, starting as a messenger in the former Card Division in November 1959. He subsequently held several positions in the Card Division: card drawer, stock clerk, card drawer/reviser, and catalog maintenance assistant. He assumed the duties of his present position in 1972.

Mr. Johnson is a native of Altheimer, Ark.

Patrick Oberman Awarded 25-Year Pin

Patrick H. Oberman, head of the Reference Section in the Photoduplication Service, received a 25-year Federal Service Award pin on November 17 from Norman J. Shaffer, chief, Photoduplication Service.

A native of Washington, D.C., and graduate of Archbishop John Carroll High School, Mr. Oberman worked a year and a half for the Department of Justice before joining the Library's Copyright Office, where he worked for over five years before transferring in November 1962 to the Searching Unit, Photoduplication Service. In 1968, he was transferred and promoted to transfer officer in the Exchange and Gift Division. He returned to the Photoduplication Service as supervisor of the Reference Unit in 1971 and was promoted to his present position in 1979.

Leon Sims Given 25-Year Pin

Leon E. Sims, supervisor of the Publications and Proofsheet Unit, Shipping and Receiving Section of the Cataloging Distribution Service, was presented a 25-year Federal Service Award pin on November 12 by Mr. Howard.

Mr. Sims' Federal career began in September 1952, when he entered the U.S. Air Force, subsequently serving in the Philippines for a time before being discharged in September 1956. He then attended Smith-Madden School of Business in the city of his birth, Richmond, Va., before resuming his Federal career in the Card Division of the Library in November 1959. He subsequently has worked in several positions in the division: stock checker and filer, calculator-filer, audio-visual aide, audio-visual assistant, and supervisor of the Proofsheet Unit. He assumed the duties of his present position in July 1971.

Staff Activities

Librarian of Congress **Daniel J. Boorstin** and Director for Special Collections **Alan Fern** were recently honored by His Majesty the King of the Belgians for their "outstanding contributions to 'Belgium Today,' the United States commemoration of the 150th anniversary of Belgian independence." The award, the Order of the Crown, was created in 1897 to honor those who have distinguished themselves through artistic, literary, or scientific merits, or through outstanding accomplishments in the field of commerce and industry. Dr. Boorstin and Dr. Fern accepted the honor on behalf of the many Library staff members who contributed to the success of the "Belgium Today" observance at the Library.

Miklos K. Radvanyi, senior legal specialist in the European Law Division, recently lectured at several universities. On October 1, he spoke on trade unions in Eastern Europe before a group of faculty and graduate students at Howard University in Washington, D.C. On October 3-6, he delivered a series of lectures on international law and foreign policy at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, before several student groups and also delivered a lecture entitled "Global International Development" before the Council on Foreign Relations in Salt Lake City. On October 21, he gave a talk on east-west trade at the School of Government at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Deputy Librarian of Congress **William J. Welsh** was the speaker at the first general session during the 29th Biennial Conference of the Southeastern Library Association, which was held November 17-22 in Birmingham, Ala. The conference theme was "A New Decade—A New Beginning—Southeastern After Sixty Years." Mr. Welsh's remarks were entitled "The Power of Knowledge, The Future of Libraries." SELA President Helen Lockhart, who is community relations librarian of the Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and Information Center in Memphis, Tenn., presided over the conference. M. Virginia Jackson, assistant professor/reference bibliographer, Mervyn H. Sterne Library, University of Alabama, served as convention program chair.

The Welfare and Recreation Association has in stock a limited supply of Charles Goodrum's *Treasures of the Library of Congress,* priced at $26.95 per copy. The WRA store (LJ G100) is open every day in December from 12 to 1 p.m. The book will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Former Staff News

Benjamin A. Custer, editor emeritus of the Dewey Decimal Classification and retired chief of the Decimal Classification Division, toured Australia in October where he delivered lectures on the classification to enthusiastic and inquisitive audiences in seven library centers. The tour, which was arranged by the Library Association of Australia, included visits to

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E&G Moves to Madison

Sixty-three staff members headed by Nathan R. Einhorn, chief of the Exchange and Gift Division, now have offices on the sixth floor (LM 632) and receiving and storage areas on the basement floor of the Madison Building. The move from the Navy Yard Annex involved several million publications acquired through exchange, gift, or transfer. "The new quarters will enable greater accessibility to exchange partners and to the approximately 2,000 institutions selecting from donation programs each year," remarked Mr. Einhorn, "as well as to the Library's collections."

Nathan Einhorn oversees the coordination of the eight sections of the Exchange and Gift Division.

James Hicks, library assistant, Ihor Mouchyn, assistant head, and Patrick Hardesty, head (left to right), in the Receiving and Routing Section sort Library of Congress duplicate materials sent to E&G for use in the duplicate program.

Ostap Zymjuk, transfer officer in Receiving and Routing Section, selects bound serials from receipts from other Federal libraries to be added to the Library's collections.

Nijole Shutterly, head (left), and Natalie Purtoff, library technician (right), of the European Exchange Section make selections of books which will be sent to E&G exchange partners worldwide.

Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne, Hobart, and Adelaide. In addition, he conducted a workshop on Dewey at the National Library of Australia and met with two classes of library science students. The gracious hospitality with which he and Mrs. Custer were greeted throughout the country reflects the high esteem in which the Dewey Decimal System is held.

Frederick R. Goff, former chief of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, gave a talk on December 7 at an exhibit opening of rare books and manuscripts entitled "A Gentleman's Library: The David A. Baer Collection" at Georgetown University. The subject of his lecture was book collecting.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Sherwood Moulton, MARC editorial clerk, GS-3, MARC Ed, P150A; Susan Robinson, writer-editor, GS-7, Cop Inf & Ref, 00704.

Temporary Appointments: Glenda Britt, deck attendant, GS-2, Col Mgmt, G113A; Tansie Hudson, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, G113A; Zenobia Levy, deck attendant, GS-3, Col Mgmt, G113A; Jeffrey Osborne, clerical assistant, GS-4, CIP, NP; David Robinson, library technician, GS-5, CRS C, 00666; Kevin Whalen, deck attendant, GS-2, Col Mgmt, G113A.

Temporary Reappointment: Deirdre Donahue, editorial and secretarial assistant, GS-5, Publ, NP.

Promotions: Richard Anderson, Desc Cat, to jr. copyright information specialist, GS-7, Cop Inf & Ref, 00699; Robert Bury, ASO, to systems analyst, GS-13, CRS AIS, 00623; Susan Campbell, to assistant division secretary, GS-6, CRS EPW, 00691; Michael Kolakowski, to American national government information analyst, GS-11, CRS Gov, 00720; Theresa Varela, to research production assistant, GS-7, CRS F, 00689; John Wilkinson, to training specialist (braille), GS-8, NLS/BPH, 00612; Daniel Wolf, Col Mgmt, to library technician, GS-4, CRS C, 00656.

Temporary Promotion: Catherine O'Connor, Col Mgmt, to library technician, GS-5, CRS C, 00666.

Transfer: Lisa Mogland-Gunn, Mus, to library technician, GS-5, CRS C, 00666.

Resignations: Cherrie Daigneault, Cop Inf & Ref; Margaret Dong, Subj Cat; Lynne Estevez, CS; Naara Fields, Cat Mgmt; Lisa Finch, Photodup; Irene Griffin, Cop Rec Mgmt; Virginia Hawkinson, Cop Acq & Proc; Victoria Herman, Col Mgmt; Denise Jones, CRS AIS; Kevin McCool, Desc Cat; Richard Prince, Cop Rec Mgmt; Roger Rasnake, Ser; Molly Roberts, Col Mgmt; John Storbeck, FRD; Patrick Treanor, FRD; Caroline Yu, CRS E.

Late December Events

Tuesday, December 16

The WRA Choral Society in their annual Christmas concert will sing contemporary and traditional Christmas music. In the Coolidge Auditorium at noon.

Wednesday, December 17

The Staff Training and Development Office will sponsor a Career Development Seminar on "To Have an MLS or Not to Have an MLS." In the Navy Yard Annex (room 317) at 11:45 a.m.

Friday, December 19

The Juilliard String Quartet, accompanied by Bonnie Hampton on the cello, will perform works by Janáček, Mozart, and Taneyev. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m. A limited number of tickets will be distributed free to staff members through the WRA Office beginning the preceding Friday. Tickets are also distributed through Patrick Hayes, 1330 G St. N.W., beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday of that week.

Tuesday, December 23

Annual carol sing with performances given by the WRA Choral Society and the Copyright Chorale. In the Great Hall at 2 p.m.

Staff members who wish to attend programs or other events taking place during their normal working hours should consult their supervisors.

Readers, Staff Advised of December 26 Holiday Closing

In accordance with the President's declaration that Friday, December 26, will be a holiday for Federal workers, all Library of Congress offices, facilities, and buildings will be closed on that day. The balance of the holiday schedule was distributed to all staff members on November 4 in Special Announcement No. 80-48.

Mrs. Gerald Holton, Professor Holton of Harvard University, The Librarian, and Mrs. Boorstin

Editor Murray Gart of The Washington Star *and the Honorable John Brademas*

Ernest L. Boyer, President William J. Sullivan of Seattle University, Mrs. Richard Lewis, and Mr. Lewis, who represented the Standard Oil Company of California

Mrs. Saul Bellow and her novelist husband, who was guest speaker at the November 20 dinner

Professor Jaroslav J. Pelikan of Yale University and Professor Jacob Getzels of the University of Chicago

form); and some information on Library publications (Early Printed Books; LCSH microfiche edition; *Library of Congress Filing Rules;* MARC Formats for Bibliographic Data).

Digest of Public General Bills and Resolutions. ISSN 0012-2785. 96th Congress, 2nd Session. Supplement No. 1 to Cumulative Issue No. 1. (various pagings) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, for $8.50 this issue, or $75 per session of Congress, domestic, and $93.75 a session, foreign (LC 14.6:96-2/1-2/Supp. 1).

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Electric and Hybrid Vehicles. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB 80-8) July 1980. (8 p.) Compiled by James T. Chandler III, this reference aid provides a systematic approach "for those who wish to review literature on electric and hybrid vehicles in the collections of the Library of Congress." Copies may be obtained free on request from the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540. Copies have also been provided to the Superintendent of Documents for distribution to depository libraries.

LC Science Tracer Bullet: Terminal Care. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB 80-9) July 1980. (9 p.) Compiled by Leroy D. Davis, this reference aid provides a systematic approach to the literature on terminal care, which "includes the control of pain and other physical distress, and extends to the alleviation of the patient's mental pain, as well." Copies may be obtained free on request from the Reference Section, Science and Technology Division. Copies have also been provided to the Superintendent of Documents for distribution to depository libraries.

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. ISSN 0027-0288. Vol. 71, No. 11. November 1980. (pp. 893-988) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $3.25 for single monthly issues, except June and December for $4.50, or $21.90 a year, domestic, and $27.40, foreign (LC 30.9:71/11).

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. ISSN 0027-0288. *Index* to Vol. 70 (1979). (pp. 1323-1570) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents for $4.50, domestic, or $5.15, foreign, for the *Index*, or at the subscription prices listed above (LC 30.9:70/Index).

National Union Catalog. ISSN 0028-0348. July 1980. (779 p.) Compiled by the Library of Congress with the cooperation of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association. For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $1,275 for the nine monthly issues, three quarterly cumulations, and an annual cumulation for the 1980 subscription year.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication After December 31, 1949. ISSN 0028-6680. October 1980. (30 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $225 for the 1980 subscription year which consists of eight monthly and four quarterly issues and an annual volume which will cumulate 1976-80.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication After December 31, 1949. ISSN 0028-6680. July-September 1980. (110 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at $225 for the 1980 subscription year which consists of eight monthly and four quarterly issues and an annual volume which cumulates one to five years.

New Serial Titles—Classed Subject Arrangement. ISSN 0028-6699. October 1980. (31 p.) A monthly publication of the Library of Congress for sale from the Cataloging Distribution Service for $65 a year.

Selected Information Resources on Electronics. (SL 80-11) August 1980. (24 p.) Compiled by John A. Feulner of the National Referral Center, this is a descriptive listing that gives the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and other particulars about organizations that are willing to answer questions or provide information on various aspects of electronics, ranging from materials, properties, and standards to systems engineering, telecommunications, high fidelity, and countless other technology applications. Of the 41 organizations listed, all but one are located in the United States and include government labs, military program offices, various societies or associations, university research centers, and market research organizations. Copies may be obtained free on request from the National Referral Center, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540, provided that requesters enclose a self-addressed mailing label.

Subject Catalog. ISSN 0096-8803. 1979. Vol. 5, Color I-Denish (1,021 p.) Vol. 6, Denisov-Energy L (1,021 p.) Vol. 7, Energy M-Flight I (1,029 p.) Vol. 8, Flight N-Gombro (1,026 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service at a cost of $935 for the 1979 annual cumulation.

APPENDIX

Plans for the ISBD Five-year Review

Prepared by the International Office for UBC
International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions

The year 1981 will mark the tenth anniversary of the publication of the first provisional edition of ISBD(M)—the International Standard Bibliographic Description for Monographs. The success of that ISBD as a pattern for the standard description of all types of publications has, during the past decade, been assured. Both the generalized description, the ISBD(G) 1977, and a series of specific ones—ISBD(M) 1978, ISBD(S) 1977, ISBD(NBM) 1977, ISBD(CM) 1977—have been developed and published, and thereafter incorporated into the bibliographic practices of many national bibliographic agencies as well as into the provisions of national and multinational cataloging codes.[1] In 1980, the texts of two more specific ISBDs, ISBD(PM) (Printed Music) and ISBD(A) (Antiquarian), have appeared, and work on another, ISBD(CP) (Component Parts), is well under way.

At the IFLA World Congress in Brussels in 1977, in considering the stability of the ISBD program as a whole, the Standing Committee of the IFLA Section on Cataloguing agreed that the existing ISBD texts would have a lifetime of five years, with the possibility of revision at the end of that time. This means that the texts published in 1977-78 should undergo a review process ending in 1982-83.

At the IFLA General Conference in Manila this year, the Standing Committee examined again the overall development and use of the ISBDs, and authorized, in accordance with the 1977 decision, the five-year ISBD review. The Standing Committee, in making this decision, believed that in order to ensure a review procedure that was internationally valid, worldwide, and adequate in various respects, it was essential to establish its basis and framework, and that the announcement of the review and its methodology be widely publicized in international and national library journals by the end of 1980.

The Standing Committee agreed on the following basis on which the review procedure be undertaken.

(1) It is accepted as a matter of principle that the objectives and purpose of the ISBDs stand: there has been no disagreement in the original concept that physical description from the item at hand taking the details (the transcription) in the order and form as on the item is the best possible basis on which to ensure compatibility in bibliographic recording.

(2) It is accepted that the purpose of the review procedure will be to ameliorate the existing texts with respect to further internationalism in the stipulations, taking into account usage, to improve where possible the wording of the text, to ensure consistency where possible in the wording and in the stipulations, and to examine the interrelationship of one ISBD to another.

(3) It is accepted that prescribed punctuation as a means of distinguishing between areas and elements is effective, easily understood, and has international credibility.

(4) It is accepted that it may not be necessary nor economic to publish a revised edition of an existing text, that is, if scrutiny shows that there are no major criticisms of stipulations and their wording.

The Standing Committee noted some of the projects and tasks already under way which will be considered as significant contributions to the review: the survey of the application of the ISBDs to nonroman scripts (project undertaken by the UBC Office under UNESCO contract); the manual of annotated ISBD examples (project initiated by the Standing Committee in 1979; overall editor, C. P. Ravilious); IAML/IASA Working Group examination of ISBD(NBM) with regard to sound recordings and the resulting document; ISBD(CP) Working Group comments on some specific stipulations in the ISBD(G); specific requirements highlighted in the course of the revision of UNIMARC and the preparation of the second edition (IFLA International Office for UBC, 1980. ISBN 0-0903043-24-6); and application of the ISBDs in existing national and multinational cataloging codes.

One further new project will be taken into consideration in the review procedure. This follows from the decision taken by the Standing Committee at the IFLA Copenhagen General Council in 1979 that future published texts of the ISBDs would include some demarcation of those elements considered essential for libraries making a bibliographic record that is not comprehensive. In accordance with this decision, the Standing Committee has requested Irmgard Bouvier, who has been a member of three ISBD Working Groups and who has had considerable experience in the editing and application of the

[1] References to articles on and cataloging codes incorporating the ISBDs can be found in *An Annotated Bibliography of the ISBD*, 2nd edition revised (London, IFLA International Office for UBC, 1980).

Regeln für die alphabetische Katalogisierung (RAK), to undertake the initial work on the project.

Already at hand at the IFLA International Office for UBC are a variety of comments received on the ISBD relating to specific problems encountered by translators and by users. Many more comments are required from users in all parts of the world and at all levels to ensure that the review processes are relevant and adequate in relationship to particular points defined by the Standing Committee: consistency of terminology throughout; consistency of stipulations where appropriate; clear and unambiguous text and wording; and more helpful examples.

The Standing Committee is, therefore, asking for comments on these aspects of all the ISBD texts, taking into account the framework and basic principles stated above in points 1-4. Comments are to be sent, marked "ISBD Review," to IFLA International Office for UBC, c/o The British Library, Reference Division, Great Russell St., London WC1B 3DG, England. The time period for comments will be over the remainder of 1980 up to June 1, 1981.

The Standing Committee also plans to establish an ISBD Review Committee which will include members of the original ISBD Working Groups. It is planned that the Review Committee meet before the IFLA Leipzig Conference in August 1981 to undertake a preliminary examination of the comments received in order to decide on the next stages of the review processes for each ISBD text. The IFLA International Office for UBC will serve as secretariat to the Review Committee.

The Standing Committee recognizes that IFLA, as a relative newcomer in the preparation and production of documents and manuals which are serving the international library community as bibliographic standards, has limited experience in review procedure and will take note of the experience and assistance of other international organizations insofar as these may be applicable. The Standing Committee's major objective in planning the ISBD review procedure has been to ensure that the basis and framework of the review should be stated and widely publicized in order that there be as wide a participation as possible from the international library community in the review processes as such.

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